

<b>TRANSMITTAL LETTER TO THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US) CONCERNING A SUBMISSION UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371</b>		ATTORNEY'S DOCKET NUMBER 1993.70US01 U.S. APPLICATION NUMBER (if known, see 37 CFR 1.5) <b>107508106</b>
INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO. PCT/CA2004/001498	INTERNATIONAL FILING DATE 12 August 2004	PRIORITY DATE CLAIMED 12 August 2003
TITLE OF INVENTION MAGNETIC BLADE ATTACHMENT IN AN ICE CONDITIONING MACHINE		
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Applicant herewith submits to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) the following items and other information:		
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<p><b>Items 11 to 20 below concern document(s) or information included:</b></p> <p>11. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> An Information Disclosure Statement under 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98.</p> <p>12. <input type="checkbox"/> An assignment document for recording. A separate cover sheet in compliance with 37 CFR 3.28 and 3.31 is included.</p> <p>13. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A preliminary amendment.</p> <p>14. <input type="checkbox"/> An Application Data Sheet under 37 CFR 1.76.</p> <p>15. <input type="checkbox"/> A substitute specification.</p> <p>16. <input type="checkbox"/> A power of attorney and/or change of address letter.</p> <p>17. <input type="checkbox"/> A computer-readable form of the sequence listing in accordance with PCT Rule 13ter.2 and 37 CFR 1.821- 1.825.</p> <p>18. <input type="checkbox"/> A second copy of the published International Application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).</p> <p>19. <input type="checkbox"/> A second copy of the English language translation of the international application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).</p>		

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## 20. Other items or information:

A copy of the Front Page of the PCT Publication WO 2005/014936 A1 and a copy of the International Search Report and Written Opinion mailed 14 January 2005 9 pages.

The following fees have been submitted				CALCULATIONS	PTO USE ONLY
21. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Basic national fee (37 CFR 1.492(a)).....				\$ 300	
22. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Examination fee (37 CFR 1.492(c))  If the written opinion prepared by ISA/US or the international preliminary examination report prepared by IPEA/US indicates all claims satisfy provisions of PCT Article 33(1)-(4)..... \$0 All other situations..... \$200				\$ 200	
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<input type="checkbox"/> Additional fee for specification and drawings filed in paper over 100 sheets (excluding sequence listing in compliance with 37 CFR 1.821(c) or (e) or computer program listing in an electronic medium) (37 CFR 1.492(j)). The fee is \$250 for each additional 50 sheets of paper or fraction thereof.					
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Total claims	27	- 20 = 7	x \$ 50	\$ 350	
Independent claims	2	- 3 = 0	x \$200	\$ 0	
MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM(S) (if applicable)				+ \$360	\$ 0
<b>TOTAL OF ABOVE CALCULATIONS =</b>				\$ 1,250	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27. Fees above are reduced by ½.					
				<b>SUBTOTAL =</b>	\$ 625
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Enclosed for filing in the above-identified application are the following documents:

1. Transmittal Letter to the United States Designated/Elected Office Concerning a Filing Under 35 U.S.C. 371 – 3 pages;
2. Information Disclosure Statement and Form PTO-1449 with a copy of the International Search Report for PCT/CA2004/001498 – 7 pages;
3. Copies of 4 cited references;
4. Preliminary Amendment – 11 pages;
5. Copy of the Front Page of Publication No. WO 2005/014936 A1 – 1 page;
6. Copy of the Written Opinion mailed 14 January 2005 – 5 pages;
7. Check in the amount of \$625.00 (for filing fees); and
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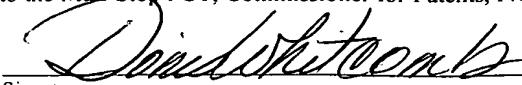
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